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Honorable James H. Welsh, Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation8 P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Additional Units Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A Longwood Field Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of WINCHESTER PRODUCTION COMPANY, (Applicant), to the Commissioner Conservation for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, Longwood Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To create one (1) additional 640 +/- acre drilling and production unit for the exploration of and the production of gas and condensate for the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Longwood Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, such units being designated CV RA SUGG, shown on the attached plat and being made a part hereof.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property within the proposed units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract to share in the unit production on a surface acreage bases of participation.
- 3. To designate a unit operator and unit well where applicable.
- 4. To extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 123-A-2, effective September 20, 1958, to the units being requested herein, except as they may be in conflict herewith.
- 5. To consider and cover such other matters as the Commissioner of Conservation may deem pertinent and appropriate.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, in the Longwood Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 123-A-2, effective September 20, 1958.

Hon. James H. Welsh Longwood Field

The pertinent data pertaining to this application is available for inspection at the Offices of Bob F. Anderson, PE, Inc., 400 Travis Street, Suite 209, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Bob Anderson 318/425-4230 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data that is otherwise not available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A pre-application conference was held on September 2, 2005, to discuss the proposed application and a list of parties attending the conference is attached hereto. Opposition was expressed as to the proposed Hosston Formation, Reservoir A, and Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, units being proposed in Section 23, Township 18 North, Range 16 West. The opposition felt Section 23 should be assigned to the Greenwood-Waskom Field instead of the Longwood Field. In order to eliminate a possible contested hearing, Winchester agreed to not proceed with an application for Hosston and Cotton Valley Formations, Reservoir, units for Section 23, Township 18 North, Range 16 West.

Pursuant to the revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties to whom this notice of this application is being sent. A copy of this letter, plat and list of parties is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District Office of Conservation and the attached letter and plat is being sent to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and the Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Attached hereto is our check, made payable to the Office of Conservation, to cover the applicable hearing fee.

Yours truly,

B. F. Anderson, PE for

WINCHESTER PRODUCTION COMPANY

cc: Mr. James Broussard, District Manager Shreveport District Office of Conservation Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties Mr. Steve Greber, Winchester Production Company

